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Examining Group 2711

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REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is responsive to the Final Office Action dated
October 4, 2000.

REMARKS

I. Introduction

Claims 1-28 are in the case and have been finally
rejected by the Examiner. Reconsideration of this application in
light of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

III. The Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-28 were finally rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103
as being unpatentable over LaJoie et al. U.S. Patent 5,850,218
("LaJoie") in view of Williams et al. U.S. Patent 5,977,964
("Williams"). Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection.